

Section 64. Section 12.5 of S.L. 1997-458 reads as rewritten:

"Section 12.5. The Utilities Commission, the Local Government Commission, and the Environmental Management Commission, with the assistance of other State agencies, shall jointly study issues relating to ~~publically~~ publicly owned treatment works that persistently fail to comply with Article 21 of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes, rules adopted pursuant to that Article, or other federal and State laws, regulations, and rules for the protection of public health and the environment. The Commissions shall make a specific finding as to whether a State agency should assume control of a persistently noncomplying treatment works and, if so, how the State agency would assume control and operate the treatment works. The Utilities Commission, the Local Government Commission, and the Environmental Management Commission shall jointly present their findings and recommendations, including any legislative proposals, to the 1998 Regular Session of the 1997 General Assembly."

Section 65. Senate Bill 1366 of the 1997 General Assembly, as enacted, is amended by rewriting the line above the heading to Section 17.22 to read:

"Requested by: Senators Gulley, Rand, Wellons, Representatives Justus, Kiser, Sexton."

Section 66. Section 20 of S.L. 1998-150 reads as rewritten:

"Section 20. This act becomes effective November 1, 1998, and applies to annexations for which the resolution of intent is adopted on or after that date. Sections 2 and 3 shall not apply to any incorporation proposal originally presented to the Joint Legislative Commission on Municipal Incorporations prior to the effective date. As to any incorporation petition submitted after October 31, 1998 but before the deadline set by G.S. 120-163(e) for the 1999 Regular Session, which did not meet the requirement of Section 3 of this act, the petition may be amended by a majority of the members of the interim board named in the petition so as to comply. The amendment may be made either before or after the petition is submitted."

Section 67. Effective January 1, 1999, through June 30, 2003, G.S. 135-3(8)c., as rewritten by Section 28.24(a) of Senate Bill 1366 of the 1997 General Assembly, as enacted, reads as rewritten:

"c. Should a beneficiary who retired on an early or service retirement allowance under this Chapter be reemployed, or otherwise engaged to perform services, by an employer participating in the Retirement System on a part-time, temporary, interim, or on a fee-for-service basis, whether contractual or otherwise, and if such beneficiary earns an amount in any calendar year which exceeds fifty percent (50%) of the reported compensation, excluding terminal payments, during the 12 months of service preceding the effective date of retirement, or twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000), whichever is greater, as hereinafter indexed, then the retirement allowance shall be suspended as of the first day of the month following the month in which the reemployment earnings exceed the amount above, for the balance of the calendar year. The retirement allowance of the beneficiary